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SUBJECT: MONGOLIA RESPONDS TO DEMARCHE ON UN RESOLUTIONS ON
IRAN, BURMA, AND THE DPRK

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Classified By: Political Counselor Andrew Covington for reasons
1.4 (b) and (d)

[1](#)1. (C) On November 6, the Charge d'Affairs and PolOff delivered reftel demarche to Multilateral Cooperation Department Acting Director Batjargal at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade. The Charge requested that Mongolia continue to oppose no-action motions in the Third Committee of the UN as it has consistently done in recent years. Batjargal assured us Mongolia would do so. We thanked Batjargal specifically for Mongolia's vote last year against the no-action motion on Iran, which was defeated by a single vote.

[1](#)2. (C) The Charge, after acknowledging Mongolia's challenge in balancing diplomatic relations with both Koreas, requested Mongolia's support for the Third Committee resolutions on Iran, Burma, and the DPRK. Batjargal stated that Mongolia's position on these matters would not differ from last year, when Mongolia abstained on Iran, voted YES on Burma, and was not present for the DPRK vote.

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